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## Weather Forecast for Sunday.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.-For Oklahoma and India Perritory: Partly cloudy Sunday and Monday; vari-For Jown and Nebraska: Generally fair Sunday and

probable Monday; variable winds. For Missouri: Threatening Sunday, with and cooler in eastern portion; cloudy Monday; vari For Kansas and Colorado: Partly cloudy Sunda

## FRENCH HATRED OF THE JEW.

and Monday; variable winds.

the necessity of shielding the real traitor as are based upon his reading of national or traitors against France is the primary conscience as it will be expressed through is still evident, as it has been from the ise the Filipinos independence or autonomy, first, that hatred of the Jews has had even if he believed that one of these forms much to do with not only the selection of of government would be the best that could staff, but with the virulent attacks upon

This hatred of the Jews has seemed inespecially to the people of the United States. Accounts of its violent manifestation have read like chapters from medieval history, not like news records of modern civilization.

Mr. James B. Eustis, former minister to Paris, in an article in the first number of the Conservative Review, throws some light on the question, though he does not attempt to justify to other nations the anti-Semitic feeling in France. He discards the more or less current belief that the Jews are hated for their moneymaking proclivities and powers. The real cause, he says, is the popular belief that the Jews are responsible, through the base use of their wealth, for most of the political corruption of France. This belief, in turn, goes back to the notorious Panama scandais, which were directly charged to

The force of this popular conviction can that the enormous losses that were susscheme had been engineered in this coun- gressive government are well founded. try, for example. The peasant, the merpurchased Panama stock.

Thus Dreyfus is to-day bearing vicarlously the resentment of the people against the Jews as a race, and it really seems that it will be necessary, as the unfeeling Deroulede declared in his testimony against the prisoner, that he will have to prove himself a thousand times innocent.

# BRYAN IN BLAND'S DISTRICT.

There is only one way to explain it: Mr.

Otherwise how could be continue to come before the people, in pursuance of his presidential ambitions, demanding advance payment for speeches in his own behalf? Otherwise how could he go into the late Richard P. Bland's district and appeal to the old supporters of "the father of free silver" in the name of their late distinguished fellow citizen, whose nomination for the presidency in 1896 was defeated through the treachery of his supposed friends, of whom William Jennings Bryan was one?

Otherwise how could be eulogize the dead statesman before thousands of people who knew while he was speaking that their idol had been basely misused to secure the nomination for Bryan on the silver issue? The reports from the Tipton meeting are barren of any account of enthusiasm created by Bryan's references to Bland Silence was becoming, even if difficult, on the part of Bland's old constituents, when praise came from one of the conspirators of 1896.

There never has been, and there probably never will be, so prominent in American politics, another such an arrant demagogue such an insincere agitator, such an undignified trader and such a cheap contriver as William J. Bryan. Certainly no other man of this quality has ever before as pired to the presidency, much less gained ascendancy over one of the great political

# MALARIA AND MOSQUITOES.

that the mosquito is an important if not the chief factor in the dissemination of malaria. At first little was thought of it acceptance with high medical authorities. ord, gives it support, and some able writers among the practitioners believe in it. Malaria is the most widespread disease that attacks mankind and it probably also is the most fatal to life. Every year it poisons about 2,000,000 people in Italy and causes the death of 15,000. Its ravages in all tropical countries are beyond computation. These facts have been known to medical science for a long time, and the fact has also been known that in swampy districts in which malaria had formerly prevailed and where an efficient system of drainage has been undertaken malaria has been quickly and effectually banished. It has also been known that malaria is due to cer-

Record thinks, is an eminently feasible proceeding. The draining of swamp lands and he destruction of the larvae will do it.

"UNDER THE STARS AND STRIPES." President McKinley has defined the gov ernment's Philippine policy, so far as that policy may be defined by the president without usurping the rights of congress. In his Ocean Grove speech of Friday the president said:

"I believe there is more love for our country and that more people love the flag than ever before. Wherever that flag is raised it stands not for despotism and oppression, but for liberty, opportunity and humanity, and what that flag has done for us we want it to do for all people and all lands which, by the fortunes of war, have come within its jurisdiction. That flag does not mean one thing in the United States and another in Porto Rico and the

"There has been some doubt in some quarters respecting the policy of the government in the Philippines. I see no harm in stating it in this presence: Peace first; then, with charity for all, establish a government of law and order, protecting life FOR THE WEEK ENDING AUGUST and property and occupation for the well being of the people who will participate in it under the stars and stripes."

As for the present situation in the Philip pines, the president may speak with absolute authority, for so long as there is war in any territory in the possession of the United States the chief executive is responsible for its prosecution. In declaring it is necessary to continue the war until the sheir miseries. rebellious Filipinos have been completely subjugated.

Regarding the future of the Philippines Although it has become pretty clear that the president can make only such promises incentive for the persecution of Dreyfus, it the action of congress. He could not prom-Dreyfus as the scapegoat of the general be given the natives of the Philippines. He knows the American people well enough however, to declare that the national emblem does not mean one thing in the Rico and the Philippines. Does anyone seriously believe that the Filipinos, politically, could come to a better fate than to enjoy all the privileges, the protection, the these days, but the need of the silver American flag stands?

Mr. Bryan and the other political enemies of the administration have demanded that bullion owners. the president give the Filipinos some assurance as to the future. What better assurance could be given than that contained Not quite that, but he possesses the conin the president's declaration? While he fidence of the people of Pennsylvania, and is not authorized to speak for congress as the calumnies and persecutions of his to the details of government, he declares without reservation that after peace there will be established a government of law and order, protecting life, property and occupation for the well being of all, and that this government will be "under the stars and stripes." The conclusion is-as and finish their careers as inconsequential all Americans must know-the most conbest be understood when it is remembered vincing part of this promise. It would be hazardous indeed to promise the Filipinos tained through the Panama collapse and a good independent government; but by other financial disasters of similar char- declaring once for all that the islands must | George Washington in the Transvaal who actor were felt by the people at large, and remain under the jurisdiction of the United not simply by a comparatively few capital- States, it becomes clear that these assur- George Washingtons are becoming altoists, as would have been the case if the ances of a peaceful, humanitarian and pro-

Of course the president's declaration will chant, the professional man and the cap- not suit the anti-imperialists. They do not Borderean Ruffianism. italist, in fact, people of all stations, had want the American flag to be over the Filipinos, but under their feet.

# AS TO THE HORSE.

The bycycle was responsible for a great shrinkage in the use and value of the horse. The automobile promises to make a still greater shrinkage in the same direction. Yet the horse as a factor in recreative and commercial transportation is not likely to be eliminated. In sportsman's parlance, he is disfigured but still in the ring. He will continue to have his admirers and his uses, regardless of the devices of inventive

Mr. John Gilmer Speed contributes to the Review of Reviews an article on "The Present and Future of the Horse" that is instructive reading to those interested in the fate of the "noble animal."

The writer shows that while the number of horses in the United States has increased since 1880 when there were 11,201,800 to 13, 665,307 in 1899, the average value of them has decreased from \$74.64 in 1884 to \$37.39 this year. Horses of good ancestry will always hold their own no matter how mechanical motors may multiply. The marked decline in values must be attributed to the lessening demand for the animals that cannot boast of pedigrees or points, the horses that are new hitched to garbage wagons, livery "rigs" and canal boats.

Because the common horse is so largely produced by farmers and because of the Kansas Boys Become Veterans. increasing depreciation in his value, Mr. Speed estimates that horse raising has resulted in an actual loss of \$500,000,000 since 1893, when the product in this commodity was the largest of any year during the past two decades. He believes the situation for the farmers can be improved if they will devote more attention as breeders to quality instead of quantity. He calls their attention to the fact that the breeding of an animal that will command a good price when ready for market is not more expensive than the raising of unattractive stock for which there is a decreasing de-

# A few years ago the theory was advanced AMERICAN ENTERPRISE IN THE

DARK CONTINENT. An interesting story of American progress and enterprise in South Africa is contained but it seems more recently to have found in a report received by the state department in Washington from Consul General The standard publication, the Medical Rec- Stowe at Cape Town regarding a trip to Kimberley, the Kimberley diamond mines and Orange Free State. In writing about Rimberley he says many of the most responsible positions are held by Americans, and he found much American machinery there. The immense driving gear of a pumping engine made in England had to be sent to Chicago to have the cogs cut. The Montgomery Middle-of-the-Roaders. company is operating an ice plant sent from Chicago, and has three more ordered, each with a capacity of five tons per day, and 20,000 cubic feet of cold storage, and a to manage it, is on its way there from America. The 150 miles of narrow gauge tain minute parasites in the blood. How railroad in and around the mines are laid they come to be there has passed man's with American rails, and every tie or comprehension, but the investigations of sleeper is made of California redwood, be maintained, that Populist principles may Major Ronald Ross, who has been in India which in that country is the best wood for not perish nor become nullified, that Popuconclusion that malaria will be fornia have recently arrived with cargoes that we may steer clear of debasing and extirpated if the particular breed or breeds of redwood and Oregon pine. All the water entangling alliances in the future, and we of mosquitoes which are accused of causing used in and about the city flows through earnestly invite all those who believe in life that suggests to the thoughtful that an interest in the deal, but Senator Platt

it can be destroyed. And this, the Medical pipes made in the United States and the locomotives used on the railroad are of American make.

## EDITORIAL NOTES

M. Bertillon is the laughing stock of the court at Rennes, and the court at Rennes is the laughing stock of the world.

An important lesson of the Dreyfus case to French youth is: Don't be a Clamespecially one of the Du Paty variety.

able lawyer, but we don't believe he could convict a train robber in Jackson county, The sultan of Sulu has recognized the

out. The Hon. Hazen S. Pingree is enjoying much needed rest. So is the public. The

public is enjoying it more than Mr. Pin-Statesman Joe Bailey is silent, but not idle. He is memorizing the constitution so

forwards. Cooling showers are spoiling Colonel Connor's hot weather forecasts with great regularity. But they are not injuring his reputation for veracity.

that he can recite it backwards as well as

In making frequent reference to the Bible in support of his dishonest theories, Mr. Bryan is acquiring a reputation for hypocrisy as well as for demagogy.

If Porto Rico were a state Mr. Bryan would be making the stormridden inhabthat peace must come first, the president litants some very impressive speeches on Pop vs. Pop. means that peace must be secured even if how the gold standard is responsible for

> that he can guarantee to fasten any piece of handwriting on any person that his Edwin Markham has written a newspaper

M. Bertillon has such a highly scientific

article entitled, "Don't Worry." It is a fact that many of what seem to be ills of life are not worth worrying over, Mr. Markham among the number. The father of William Loyd Garrison

slaves. The son thinks he sees an opporexplicable to people of other nations, and United States and another thing in Porto tunity to win a name in the same way. That's why the fellow is throwing all these fits. The silver issue may be a little weak

> inspiration and the blessings for which the trust's backing is just as strong as it was three years ago. Mr. Bryan will stand loyally by "the righteous cause" of the "Matt Quay owns the state of Pennsylvania," says a distinguished contemporary.

> > enemies are powerless to do him harm. William L. Garrison tells how McKinley, Long and Dewey might have become famous. It is too bad that Garrison didn't reveal this earlier. The gentlemen re-

There is a George Washington in the Philippines who shoots our soldiers when they respond to a flag of truce, and a gether too numerous and chean

# KANSAS TOPICS

Assistant Attorney General J. S. French court-martial it will be by "border eau ruffians." Consent!"

Jerry Simpson says his paper, the Bayonet, is one of the most remarkable papers published. It is run without circulation. advertising or brains.

# A Dewey Quilt.

Mrs. A. C. Bangs, of Winfield, has just received Admiral Dewey's autograph on a plece of cloth to be used in a crazy quit. Oldest in the Seventh District.

# The Great Bend Tribune is twenty-four

years old and lays claim to the honor of being the oldest paper under the same continuous management in the Seventh congressional district.

# Irrefutable Evidence.

Editor E. F. Tennant, of Goodland, re marks: When a Populist quits talking he

#### has lost faith. Would Please Everybody.

Charlie Scott, in the Iola Register: "Ca-John Bull are about to lock horns and go to war. What a howl of delight would go up from this country if things would come about in such a way as to make John Jacob lot box. He is a machine politician of the Astor fight for his adopted country."

Writing from Manila to the Girard Press F. A. Gerken, a private in the Twentieth Kansas, says: "The following named members of Company D enrolled in the First volunteers: Captain H. B. Orwig, Sergeant Ira Keithly, Corporals Ed Scott, Raymond Clark and Lloyd Weltner, and Privates John C. Lofley, Cal K. Shoemaker and Ernest Hoffman, Corporals Jones and Michels made application, but failed to pass the examination on account of disease contracted in line of duty. A dozen other members of Company D could not pass the examination should they try, but they have no desire to 'take on.' "

An officer of the Twentieth Kansas, writwill be little left to remind a man of what the regiment was. Many were killed and wounded. Many will re-enlist. Many were sent to the States disabled. A majority will will return to Frisco as a regiment, but many of these physically are not, and never will be, the men they were when they left for the Philippines."

The Populists of Montgomery county, dent and surrender in Luzon. headed by J. L. Cox, editor of the Inde pendence Star and Kansan, have decided to sever connections with the Democrats, complete dynamite plant, with an American and have issued a call for a middle-of-theroad Pop convention September 2. The official call closes with this declaration: "This convention is called to the end that the integrity of the Populist party may for a long time studying the matter, have such a purpose. Three ships from Call- lists may direct the Populist party and ice hold in their frigid gyves the rich juices

the motives and aims of the Populist party as set forth and demonstrated in the past to join with us in the work of reconstruc tion.

## Corn Crop Comparisons.

Goodland News: There has been any number of comparisons made in order to show how big the Kansas corn crop is this year. It is estimated that to move it, it would take a freight train 6,000 miles long and other examples have been printed, but they fail to show the greatness of the crop. M. Labori seems to be an exceptionally if the corn raised in Kansas this year was those, upright dealing, all of these will in own account for \$100,000,000 what Croker's the lawyer, but we don't believe he could ground into meal and an energetic ant the years to come take place in the cupground into meal and an energetic ant tried to move it 100 feet it would take the ant, working night and day, just 21,000,000,authority of the United States, but Aguinaldo and Edward Atkinson are still holding we have in Kansas, and the freight car is not in it when you figure on the ant.

Fort Scott Wants a Gun. Fort Scott wants one of those Spanish guns which the war department has decided to loan Kansas. In setting forth the claims of that place for one gun the Monitor remarks: "Governor Stanley should state. The national cemetery is the natural location for one of these captured United States should be so amended as to guns. It will be well cared for, and as give the central government a larger scope the interest of Tammany. some of the Cuban soldiers are already of authority over corporations in order that buried here, it is fitting that this grim reminder of the soldiers' work should be planted here. No county in the state has furnished more or better soldiers and they unlikely to favor any further delegation of are entitled to this memento of the war with Spain."

The Girard World Pon, this week goes after Ed Ridgely, the Populist congressman in that district, in this fashion: "Mr. system and such complete paraphernalia Ridgely is lending his assistance to the fusionists and Democrats of Montgomery county, who last week packed the convention for fusion against the announced wishes of two-thirds of the voting Populists of the county. He will perhaps land the fusion nominees in office about as plicants for places in the census department recently, as he claimed, in return for the earnest support that the Democrats of was distinguished for his efforts to free the district had given him, a Populist (?). God save the mark."

## CONTEMPORARY COMMENT.

Mr. Bryan's Monometallism. From the New York World (Dem.).

Mr. Bryan is not a "bimetallist," as claims, but a silver monometallist. In the platform which he put forth Omaha as the expression of his Bryan insists more strenuously than ever upon what the Chicago platform demanded: "Free and unlimited coinage at 16 to 1, without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation." And his platform declares this to be "the natural and necessary ratio."

Why "natural?" It is not the "comme cial ratio," which Jefferson said should always govern. It is a ratio fixed by law when it represented substantially the relative value of the two money metals-a legal recognition of a commercial fact. Why "necessary?" This country has had three ratios-15, 151/2 and 16. Other counreveal this earlier. The gentlemen rethree ratios—15, 15½ and 16. Other counferred to will probably have to go on now
tries have had different ratios. Why is "16
of the general advance of prices, coincident
is the result of law, a very beneficent law,
altogether proper at this time to refer to sacred as the Divine code, as unchange-

ians? never-never!-NEVER!-in this country drives out of circulation the dearer money

-the undervalued metal. This has been the result time and again in our own country. Sometimes this law banishes gold, sometimes silver-but always the cheaper money stays, the more

valuable money goes. In favoring the free and unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to 1, when the actual ratio is about 32 to 1, Mr. Bryan would, instead of providing which he says "makes better cause the withdrawal from circulation of \$700,000,000 in gold coin-more than one-third of our total supply of money. This would be the most tremendous and the most disastrous "contraction of the currency" ever known in our history. It would put this country at once upon a silver basis of 50-cent dollars, along with Mexico, almost alone among the nations

of the earth. Economically the 16 to 1 scheme is as dis honest as it is impossible. Politically it is suicide.

# They Know Him.

From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. As a candidate for re-election as judge last fall Shackleford ran behind his ticket 200 votes in his own county. The same spirit of opposition, only more emphatic blegrams announce that Oom Paul and was shown in his county when his candidacy for congress was announced. Judge Shackleford's neighbors are well acquainted with his characteristics. Their marked disapproval has been registered at the balmost selfish type. He is just the sort of man Governor Stephens would pick out to assist in conducting politics on the low of personal and ring advantage Shackleford is the nominee for congress trains, pushed him through by secret work primaries and by secret work in and Second regiments of Philippine veteran the primaries and by secret bargains in president in their own name they manthe convention. A large majority of Democratic voters in the district did not want him as the nominee. They were defeated in their wish, and deprived of their just power, by the devices employed and promises distributed by the ring at Jefferson

If Shackleford ran behind his ticket 29 votes last fall in his own county how many will he lose in the twelve other counties of the district? The margin on which depends for success is narrower than his managers think. Bland's majority las fall was 2,842. He was a man of nationa fame and personally popular. No Populist was on the ballot. ing from the Philippines, says: "When the leford will see the strong assurance of his Twentieth Kansas starts for home there defeat. If the full anti-Shackleford vote changed conditions the opponents of Shackcomes out he will be beaten, and by no small plurality. The question resolves itself into that of the degree of indifference, the stay-at-home element. In view of the rict, there should be no light vote under country watching the result of a motion to censure the president's Philippine polthe fallure of a Republican to go t polls is practically a vote for the Demoratic proposition to reprimand the presi-

# Life's Preserving Time.

From the Philadelphia Times From the interior of both city and cour try homes at this season there come spicy whiffs of fragrance that proclaim the facthat the housewives of the land are engaged in their annual business of preserv Hot and tired, they labor with th fruit to store up its lusciousuess to add zest to winter's appetite and luxury to a menu which is restricted when snow and and luscious flavor of the peach, the pear and the grape.

youth we can store up rich treasures of thought that will in later years, the winter of our life, afford us the sweetness and he zest that will perhaps be lacking in the prosaic detail that accompanies the building up of a fortune or the rearing of a family. Extracts from famous authors, memorized to last until the time when reading is an effort, will provide a delight for many a

Perhaps this special fruit finds no favor with us-then turn to the preserving of board of memory, and there will be no bit- company for double that amount 000,000,000,000,000,000,000 years to accomplish are the feast of the aged. Every day is moter of a bill looking to that end. the job. This is the kind of a corn crop preserving time for us who are sowing as

## Protection and the Trusts.

rom the Washington Post. "Protection is the fecund spawner of the trusts," it may wage war on trusts. Thus far we have looked in vain for any Democratic indorsement of this proposition, nor do we expect to find it. That party is extremely powers by the states to the nation.

The Republic mentions a number of trusts as awful examples of the robbery that is being perpetrated upon the people at this with Coler, one of its own men, who was time-this time of unexampled progress and prosperity. It says that "meat, one of the main food staples of our laboring population, has in the American market been arbitrarily forced to an almost prohibitive price by the ice trust and the beef combine; while in England, notwithstanding the cost of freight and refrigeration, it is selling at from 13- to 2 cents per pound States."

Will the Republic kindly tell us wha smoothly as he landed the Democratic apa way by which congress or state legislatures could interfere with the business of either of those combines? The courts can | xiv:3. bring them to terms when they violate law; but their right to buy and sell cannot be live, as some people say it is, but it has a cede that it has nothing to do with the of human nature. case of the meat industry. The Republic trust control. This trust ordered an activation of 25 per cent about a month ago, and since then it has put on additional 5 it, not because I am tired of it, but because cents per ton." That is true, but there is no duty on anthracite coal. spawner of the trusts" did not spawn that always to be ready to part with a coin of contemporary, Standard Oil. The Post gold. would be glad to have the power of the anthracite combination materially weak-ened, but we do not see how that object that a baker injects yeast into dough. The s to be attained.

There is no absolute monopoly, some of the mines being independent, but these apprices. Yet there is a limit to the combine's exactions, for there are several substitutes for coal, and they are coming more and more into use.

Our St. Louis contemporary complains to 1" selected as peculiarly binding-as with the organization of trusts, but it by which the unworthy is gotten rid of his admirable works in the cause of eduomits to mention the rise in wages, mostable as the laws of the Medes and Pers- ly voluntary, and it does not attempt to show that prices of commodities are, as a The truth is, as we have said, that in rule, oppressively high. It says, for examtaking this position Mr. Bryan stamps ple, that "carpets are 20 per cent higher himself as a silver monometallist, and if than they were before the organization of George Washington in the Transvaal who he were wholly honest he would admit it. the carpet trust." Well, it was high time guzzles two gallons of beer a day. The He has read history enough to know that for something like that to happen. That never-never!-NEVER!-in this country industry was depressed, and its recovery or in any other, have gold and silver cir- is one of the best phases of the industrial culated side by side-giving practical bi- situation. Much more good than harm has metallism-when both were coined freely resulted from the advance in carpet prices. and without limitation at 16 to 1 or any The Republic mentions another good other false ratio. The cheaper money—the thing when it says "print cloths of every overvalued metal-everywhere and always kind are selling for three-quarters of a millennium comes and the poet's dream and cent more per yard than they were a yea

That means steady employment and good wages for thousands; It means more happiness in thousands of homes. It shows that one of the most seriously depressed of all our industries has at last caught the wind of the abounding prosperity in its sails. If the tariff is responsible for that, and we suspect it is, so much the better for

the tariff. There are trade combines which need restriction. There are a few of our protective duties that might well be lowered, not o kill off any industry, but to put an end to exactions in a few lines of manufactures. But it is absurd, in view of the un exampled prosperity of these days of trade combines, to contend that all trusts are evil things. And it is fantastic folly to that "protection is the fecund spawner of the trusts." But for protection ve should have had no manufacturing industries worth combining.

# Populists and Democrats.

From the New York Times (Ind. Dem.). A Washington Populist represents to newspaper correspondent that the minds of the leaders of his party are divided about the policy of holding their conven tion and nominating Bryan before the Democrats nominate him, in order, as he says, o force the hands of the Democrats.

This is the article known all over the They have no need to, and they know it

The Populist party is made up of paranotacs, calamity howlers, men who carry and in that hour we shall either hasten statistical tables in their hats, cranks, unshaven and unshorn men terrible with nair, an uncouth and grotesque multitude Knowing that they could never elect a aged to seize upon the name, trademarks and good will of the Democratic party They put that party forward with one of their own chosen Populists as a candidate in 1896, hoping that the people might be deceived. Then at the proper time they indersed the nomination.

They will play the game to the same way next year. A Populist nomination of Bryan in advance of the Democratic convention would finish him if anything could,

### Amending the Constitution From the Boston Herald (Ind. Dem.)

There is always an abundant supply of ambitious statesmen who would fain win immortality by accomplishing some amendment of the constitution. United States Senator Harris, of Kansas, has joined the procession. Mindful of the good fortune that befel the boy who had more than one string to his bow, Senator Harris has importance of a congressman to his dis- three amendments in hand, and will push them all as fast and as far as he can. any circumstances. But with the whole first amendment is for making the president's term of office six years and disqual ifying him for re-election. The second is for making the term of a congressman four years, instead of two. The third is for requiring United States senators to be chosen by direct vote of the people. None of these projects is novel, and many people would be willing to see them all adopted. But we can wish Senator Harris no bette political fortune than that he may live in good health and keep his seat in the senite until any one of them is incorporated in the organic law.

#### Tammany's Gigantic Steal. from the Chicago Post.

New York city is up in arms Croker's municipal assembly, which threat. ens to jam through a water job of the most outrageous character. The Republican It is a dealing in futures in the domestic machine was at first suspected of having

the mind has its preserving time also. In and Quigg, the county chairman, have emhis henchmen are entitled to the full "credit" for the attempt at robbing the municipality of millions. The proposition is to make a forty-year contract with the Ramapo Water Company for the delivery of 200,000,000 gallons of water to New York city at \$70 a million.

This water contract would be worth to lonely hour in the twilight time of our the company \$200,000,000, and the company could not even deliver the water to the consumers. It would cost the city \$20,000,-000 additional to do this. On the other hand, another sort. Kindly deeds, generous ac- it is estimated that the city could do on its Yet ter taste, but a lasting sweetness to add a few months ago Croker was a loud agitaits savory piquancy to the recollections that | tor for municipal gas works and the pro-The job was introduced and pushed in

us the most secret and subterranean way. whether we allow the fruit that is within Comptroller Coler first discovered the colour reach to decay and waste or be pre- ored gentleman in the woodpile and raised served to our advantage in the days to a hue and cry. He denounced the scheme as the worst ever laid before the city, and a little investigation developed the fact that big politicians were behind it. The company itself is managed by Republicans who a few years ago obtained dublous legisla so says the St. Louis Republic. tion both at Albany and at Trenton, and itor remarks: "Governor Stanley should Our St. Louis contemporary disagrees with consider carefully the claims of Fort Scott its presidential candidate, Mr. Bryan, in go to outsiders and Republicans is certainly for one of the Spanish guns coming to this this sweeping indictment. He admits that puzzling. It is utterly inconsistent with all trusts might flourish under free trade, and his cherished principles of "home rule," which means noninterference from Albany with his administration of local affairs in

While New York's water problem is a serious one, it is admitted that no imme diate increase of the water supply is necessary. The general conviction is that the city must create and own the means of increasing a constant and ample supply. spite of this Tammany officials have tried to smuggle through a gigantic scheme plunder. It must be profoundly disgusted nominated by Croker in the hope and be lief that his orders would be obeyed in the comptroller's office. Coler has asserted independence before, and he is generall recognized as a capable and honest of ficial. Strange that Tammany should have contained such material!

The job will now be thoroughly canvassed, though Tammany seems determine. to jam it through.

## A Beautiful World.

George H. Hepworth, in New York Herald. For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord.-Romans,

It may be a wicked world in which taken from them. So far as the tariff is keen appreciation of honesty, self-sacrifice, concerned, we think the Republic will con- integrity and all the other noble qualities For myself, I think it a perfectly satis-

says the "anthracite coal region is under factory world, physically beautiful and That is true, but there is I firmly believe that the future has some-"The fecund thing better in store for me, and one ought any more than it spawned its distinguished copper if he can exchange it for a coin of Christ injected into the mind and heart

process of fermentation begins its work at once. Its action may be slow, and at certain stages you may declare with some pear to be willing to let the trust fix thing like reason that the whole mass is worthless and that the experiment is a failure. But there is a persistency in yeast which is simply irresistible, and in the end it will conquer, and the character of the mass will be changed for the better. That and the good at last prevails.

True, there is wickedness in the world. plenty of it, and we are once in a while on the verge of despair. We tremble for the testifies. He has also established in his future because we forget that God is in control of the universe. We jeer at the optimist who tells us that the tide is rising; but God is behind the tide, and while we doubt a wave throws itself a few inches further up the beach, as though to reprove fairy godfather. The example of such a us for our fears. High water mark will not be reached in our lifetime, but what lic. May his tribe never diminish, matters that? The important matter is No More Duty on Occupied Coffins. the prophecy of Scripture is fulfilled, but whether the millennium is on its way and

will some time arrive. A convalescent may have pains and still be on the road to health. The pains are themselves a proof that he is getting well, an incident in his progress toward the de sired end. In like manner there may be evils in the world, for we have not yet attained to moral perfection; but as the earth is speeding on its way through space, while we are unconscious of any motion, so speed mankind toward the consummation so devoutly to be wished, and our pessimism and

synicism cannot block the way. Christ is more truly present in our midst to-day than He was in Judea nineteen enturies ago, and His influence has an ever increasing circumstances. The musician may gather only a small audience at first, and people may pass him by ind.fferently, while some may even scorn him, but men love music if it is at its best, and the hour comes when all the weary and worn and tired and troubled stop to listen because their hearts are cheered and their drooping spirits are encouraged. Something within responds to the something without, and the notes that vibrate in the air are heard with the rapture of grati-

The teachings of Christ are not a luxury but a necessity. We may have our prejudices, or we may revel in our agnobut down deep in the soul, hidden perworld as humbug. The Populists will never haps under the rubbish of wealth and nominate in advance of the Democrats. cannot be repressed and which can satisfy. Some experience is sure to bring us to a consciousness of that facto Him or regret that we are enough to stay away. The most pitiful man on the planet is he who is a strange o that good cheer in doctrine and life which He alone can impart, and the noblest example of what is grandest is to make two applications of water a day he who is Christian not in dogma, but in hought and purpose and motive. The world may still be running wild

and spending itself for what is not worth having, but the good is stronger than ever and evil is growing weaker. Christ can provide what we want most-faith in the atherhood of God, a glimpse of heaven which can never be forgotten, a quiet esignation that gives us pleasant dreams when we have said farewell, and a hear of gladness when we think of the valley of shadows, and wherever we wander whatever we do, however distant we may be from Him, we must come to Him jus as the hungry man searches for food or It Just Happened. the thirsty man for the cool spring.

The world is taking long strides in that that direction now. Heretofore Chris been a creed, but He is becoming to us the secret of a higher life. The bell in the watch tower of human needs is calling us. "Greater things than these shall ve do!" Then God is with us, and we can draw on omnipotence amid the struggles of life. We can conquer all things, bring heaven to our very doors, live contentedly, nobly, because He and we, the finite and the infinite mingled, are walking side by side. The philosophy of Christ will make us spiritually hale and hearty, our pulse beating in accord with the laws of the universe and our eyes filled with the ight of another world

#### A French Court-Martial. rom the Washington Sta. First witness-"The prisoner is innocent

Second witness-"The prisoner is guilty!" First witness (defiantly)-"Of precisely that is the prisoner guilty?" Second witness (more deflantly)-"Of pre isely what is the prisoner innocent? First witness-"Ha!"

Second witness-"Ha!" (Red fire and threats to clear the cour room if applause continues.)

## WANDERERS.

What might have been! Dear heart, we'll put it by, We are too brave to murmur-you and I. Like thoughtless children we have lost the way: If we had been less blind we could not stray Where is the pleasant pathway that we miss?

We cannot all retrace the steps that led Us from the broad, smooth walks where, overhead, The elm boughs arched and birds sang blithe and

And flitted gayly by. The night falls, dear; The stars are softly gleaming in the sky-Their light may tell us where the hon This path is narrow. We must walk alone.

O love, your strong hand's touch upon my on The dauntless trust I read in your dear eyes I sorely need. My life's hope-circle lies Within that light. But here we must not star send on-but call back through the dark, I pray. I cannot falter if your voice's tone But reach me-for that very sound alone Would warm my heart though it were chill in death,

And stir my blood, and make me catch my breath-Quivering in balance between joy and pain, Lest chords so tensely sweet sound not again. So I will follow-on the path o'ergrown, Through darkness, dear, into the way unknown; Unmindful of the thorns that prick and sting

### The rough, uncertain footing-everything But of your presence, dear-though nevermore We see the home light through the open door

## GOLDENRODS.

hill side flaming with golden fires Torches that wave when the wind is still, splendour of spears with fretted spir

The goldenrods holding the slope of the hill. gruesome whisper of withered stalks, Spectral and dim in the moon's pale ray, a rustle of leaves in the lonely walks, And the ghosts of the goldenrods steled in grey,

### -Benjamin F. Leggett, in the Bookman IN THE STORM.

I huddled close against the mighty cliff. A sense of safety and of brotherhoo Broke on the heart; the shelter of a rock Is sweeter than the roofs of all the work!

## OF CURRENT INTEREST.

The German People Our Friends.

"There is no feeling of animosity among the German people as a whole against the United States," said a prominent man from Pennsylvania, who has just returned from a long tour through the Fatherland, the other day. "I traveled considerably through Germany," said he, "and took pains to converse with all classes of the population, and I can say, without fear of contradiction, that with the exception of the Agrarians, the Teutonic sentiment toward our country is one of kindliness, mixed with admiration for our remarkable social, political and industrial progress. It is true that to the German the American national character is more or less a puzzle, for, surrounded by provincial customs and traditions, and measuring all things according to smaller standards, he trouble in comprehending the expansiveness of our national life. Whatever may be the inclination of the ruling classes of the German people generally, it can be stated that they would contemplate with two nations as would lead to the verge of

## Tribute to a Philanthropist.

"The story published of the celebration Blair, of Blairstown, N. J., did not tell the half of the good deeds of this venerable man," says the New York Times, "nor would it be possible to tell them within the limits of an ordinary newspaper article. cation. He has been one of the most generous benefactors of Princeton university as the beautiful Blair hall now eloquently own town an academy which has a wide and enviable reputation. But his money Princeton, and the sons of that institution look upon John I. Blair as a sort of

A question of peculiar interest was setgeneral board of customs appraisers, which met for the purpose. During the past three years a great many bodies have been shipped here from European ports, inclosed in costly caskets. In every instance duty was collected on these coffins, despite the strongest kind of a protest. who have had to pay the duty declared it an outrage in such strong terms that the local appraisers made up their minds to have the matter settled once and for all. With this end in view a meeting of the general board was appealed to, and it was decided that coffins coming to any port in this country carrying bodies, should be ad-

# mitted free of duty.

Back From Patagonia. The Patagonia exploring expedition of Princeton university, consisting of Profes or J. B. Hatcher and his assistant. Mr. Peterson, has returned with a great many rare fossils and specimens in the way of zoology, botany and entomology, and mu light on geology and paleontology is expected to result. So great has been Professor Hatcher's success in the last named department that his freight of fossils is to be counted by tons weight, and severat years of work will be expended on preparation and study of them. Professor Hatcher has also many contributions to cartography, having found mountains, lakes

### and rivers heretofore unknown. 011 Lays the Dust.

After a month's trial the experiment of President Cassatt, of the Pennsylvania rallroad, in the use of oil to lay the dust of country roads, has proven a success Some 2,400 gallons of residuum oil was sprinkled over a mile of road, and no trouble with dust has since been experienced along that section. One application of of is said to be sufficient to lay the dust on a road for a year, while it is toward the same desired end.

### A Great Little Hallroad. The shortest railroad in the world, the

straightest and the most profitable, it is said, is the Marine railway at Coney Island, connecting Brighton with Manhattan Beach. Its length is half a mile. Capital stock, \$25,000. Number of shares (\$50), 500. When Austin Corbin, Jr., was 9 years of age his father presented him with 499 In 1884, when the fare was 10 cents, the income was \$86,000, and at the present time, at reduced rates, it still is very large.

Beecher and Ingersoll were always great friends. Mr. Beecher had a celestial globe in his study, a present from some manufacturer. On it was an excellent representation of the constellations of stars which compose them. Ingersoll was delighted with the globe. He examined it closely and turned it round and round. "It's just what I wanted," he said; "who made it?" "Who made it?" repeated Beecher; "who made this globe? Oh, nobody, colonel, it just happened!"

#### Bound to Get Him. A story is being told of a country doctor

who was going his rounds one morning with a gun on his shoulder. He was keen sportsman, and was looking forward to polishing off a little game when his professional duties were over. A friend meeting him, and seeing him with the gun, exclaimed: "Where are you going, doctor, so early in the day, with that deadly weapon on your shoulder?" "I'm hurrying off to see a patient," he replied. "Well," said his friend, "I see you are determined not to miss him."

# British Brain Food.

In the first six months of this year the aggregate value of all the fish landed in England was over \$15,000,600.